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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHIEBER (Sponsor), HIGDON, WILSON,
MARSHALL AND PHILLIPS (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 253.180 and 253.185, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to domestic animals in state parks.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 253.180 and 253.185, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 253.180 and 253.185, to read as follows:

253.180. No person shall allow any domestic or other animal under his control or
2 ownership to range within any state park at any time, **unless as authorized under section**
3 **253.185.**

253.185. 1. **Except for the provisions of subsection 2 of this section,** domestic
2 household animals shall not be allowed in any state park unless restrained by a leash not longer
3 than ten feet held by some person or firmly affixed to some stationary object so as to prevent the
4 animal from ranging at large. No domestic household or other animal shall be allowed inside
5 any state park building under the control of either the department of natural resources or a
6 concessionaire licensed by the department of natural resources unless permission is granted by
7 the department of natural resources.

8 **2. The department of natural resources may designate a specified area within any**
9 **state park to serve as a dog park or an off-leash area for domestic household animals.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.